

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "METHOD OF SELECTIVELY COATING A WOOD COMPOSITE, AND COATED WOOD COMPOSITE," the specification of which was filed on August 27, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/940,016. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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<u>60/234,136</u>	<u>21/September/2000</u>
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Application Number	09/940,016
Filing Date	08/27/2001
First Named Inventor	Luetgert
Group Art Unit	1774
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	16240.231

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## SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Name	Rose M. Murphy, Assistant Secretary
Signature	<i>Rose M. Murphy</i>
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Luetgert, et al.Application No./Patent No.: 09/940,016 Filed/Issue Date: 08/27/2001Entitled: METHOD OF SELECTIVELY COATING A WOOD COMPOSITE AND COATEDWOOD COMPOSITE  
Masonite Corporation, a Corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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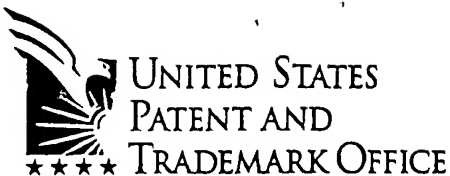
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Filed: August 27, 2001  
Title: Method of Selectively Coating a Wood Composite, and Coated Wood Composite

For other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assign to Masonite Corporation, a Delaware corporation, One South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606, (hereinafter "assignee"), its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in said application and any and all other applications, both United States and foreign, which the undersigned may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said invention or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained on any of said applications, and in any reissue or extension thereof.

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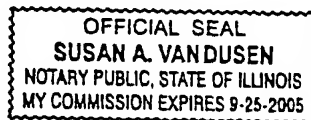
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On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared Karine A. Luetgert, to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that she executed said instrument as her free and voluntary act and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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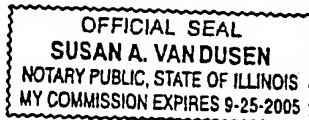
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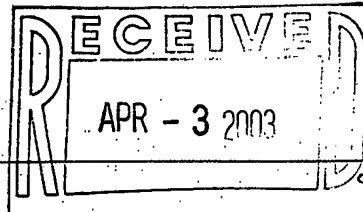
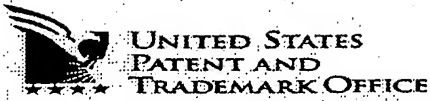
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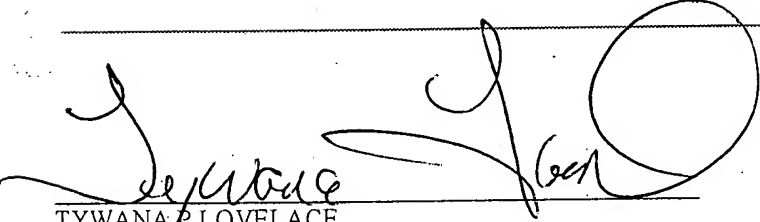
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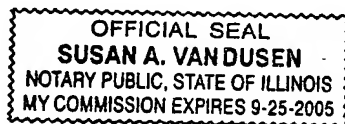
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